

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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| In re Application of:            | ) |                       |
|                                  | : | Examiner: NYA         |
| Peter Rushe, et al               | ) |                       |
|                                  | : | Group Art Unit: NYA   |
| Application No.: NYA             | ) |                       |
|                                  | : | Confirmation No.: NYA |
| Filed: Concurrently Herewith     | ) |                       |
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| For: A CONTAINER AND COMBINATION | ) |                       |
| PACKAGING                        | : | October 5, 2006       |

Commissioner for Patents  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Preliminary to the examination on the merits, kindly  
amend the subject application as follows:

Amendments to the claims appear on page 2 hereof.

Remarks begin on page 8 hereof.